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LETTER DATED 21 APRIL 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government and further to our previous letters to you, the most recent of which, No. 37, is dated 15 April 1991, I have the honour to bring to your attention details concerning further acts committed by Iran in violation of the cease-fire agreement between Iraq and Iran.

I:

1. On 10 April 1991, at 9 a.m., three groups of Iranians infiltrated into Iraqi territory, taking three different routes (the road along the Shatt al-Arab; the Ataba road; and the Chalamija road). The three groups were supported by vehicles equipped with 107-mm rocket launchers. They later converged and succeeded in taking up a position inside Iraqi territory. Following a skirmish with Iraqi forces, the position was retaken and eight of the Iranian infiltrators were killed.

2. On 10 April 1991, between 9.20 a.m. and 11.20 a.m., Iranians pounded the Majnoon area in Iraq with heavy artillery.

3. On 13 April 1991 at 4.30 a.m. a civilian pick-up carrying four individuals coming from Iranian territory was spotted as it was travelling along the Chalamija road. The vehicle, which remained in Iraqi territory until 4.45 a.m., returned to Iranian territory with the four individuals in question aboard. At 9 a.m. the same day two Iranian armoured vehicles and an Iranian Landcruiser pick-up were spotted as they were travelling along the Doiaji road coming from the Chalamija area and took up a position in Iraqi territory. About a dozen individuals, civilians and military personnel, got out of the vehicles. At 11.15 a.m. that same day the two armoured vehicles and the civilian vehicle took the same road to return to Iranian territory.

4. On 15 April 1991, at 4.35 a.m., a group proceeding from Iranian territory infiltrated into Iraqi territory and fired with light arms on positions occupied by Iraqi forces near the Iraqi post of Moussa Al-Kazem (central sector), wounding five of our soldiers.

II. On 18 April 1991, at 6.30 a.m., the Iranians shelled the Faijala region using 107-mm rocket launchers from the Qasr-e-Shirin area in Iran; 12 rockets were fired.

This violation which follows on other Iranian violations confirms once again the Iranian Government's persistence in violating the provisions of the cease-fire concluded between the two countries and its deliberate aim of undermining Iraq's sovereignty and security. The Government of my country reaffirms that it holds the Iranian Government responsible for all the damage caused in Iraq by these violations.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for the text of this letter to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdul Amir AL-ANBARI
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